

## BASIC SKILLS COMPETENCY FOR NEBRASKA CERTIFICATION

Any person who applies for their first regular Nebraska teaching or administrative certificate (not Special Services) must demonstrate basic skills competency as determined by the State Board of Education. The test chosen to meet this requirement is the **Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators,** it is the approved Basic Skills test for program admission (Reading, Writing, and Mathematics), a computer-based test administered by ETS (Educational Testing Service, Princeton, New Jersey.)

(If acccommodations are required, see http://www.ets.org/praxis/register/disabilities/.)

A candidate shall be exempt from this requirement if (i) the candidate has two or more consecutive years of teaching or administrative experience in an approved or accredited school with a certificate issued by that state on the basis of successful completion of an approved teacher education program in any state, or (ii) the candidate has current credentials from the National Board of Professional Teaching Standards.

Please be sure to include the completed Verification of Experience form and a copy of a valid, regular teaching certificate to coincide with the experience with your application if you will be taking advantage of this provision.

## **Core Academic Skills**

www.ets.org/praxis

Please check Test Centers and Dates prior to registering for a test(s).

If you wish to take all three computer-delivered Core exams (5712, 5722, 5732) at the same time, select Core Academic Skills for Educators: Combined Test (5751) when registering. Scores will be reported by individual test (5712, 5722, 5732).

MINIMUM ACCEPTBLE SCORES	MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE SCORES
CORE Academic Skills	PRAXIS I – PPST
Reading 156	Reading 170
Mathematics 150	Mathematics 171
Writing 162	Writing 172

IF YOU CANNOT MEET THIS REQUIREMENT, YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A PROVISIONAL PERMIT OR A SUBSTITUTE PERMIT.

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